Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Crash-Middletown

Middletown— Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred at approximately 8:09 p.m., Wednesday, August 19, 2020, on Saint Augustine Beach Road south of 6th Street.

The initial investigation has determined a 2014 Kia Sportage, driven by a 59-year-old Townsend man was traveling southbound on Saint Augustine Beach Road from the area of Port Penn. In the area of 1800 Saint Augustine Beach Road, the roadway curves gradually to the right. For unknown reasons, the operator failed to negotiate the curve in the roadway, traveled across the solid double yellow line, and the northbound lane of travel before traveling off the east edge of the road and the front center of the vehicle struck a tree located on the east side of the roadway.

The driver of the Kia was not properly restrained and pronounced deceased at the scene.

Saint Augustine Beach Road was closed for approximately 4 hours while the scene was investigated and cleared.

The investigation is ongoing, and anyone with information regarding the crash should contact Cpl. J. Breen of the Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit by calling 302-834-2620.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of

assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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